

City of Fort Myers
Weekly Update
Sent Friday, December 22, 2017
(in lieu of Monday, December 25, 2017)

South Street Environmental Testing

Week of December 18, 2017

No testing was done on the site last week.

On December 22, a letter was mailed to residents in the neighborhood surrounding the South Street site. The letter provided an update on the testing and a link to Lee County's Consumer Confidence Report, the water quality report assessing the water provided to the neighborhood. The letter assures residents that Lee County has assessed their drinking water, and it meets the standards for potable drinking water as with any other neighborhood that LCU services.

The letter also requested that the City would like to test private wells in the surrounding area. Some residents may have irrigation wells and other residents may still be using wells for drinking water despite the availability of a public water supply. The letter encourages residents with private wells to contact the City to request testing or for more information on the testing procedure.

On December 22, GFA provided the City with the results of round two of groundwater testing. The results are posted on the website www.cityftmyers.com (scroll down to South Street Environmental Testing link).

Week of December 25, 2017

No testing will be done on the site this week.

Testing is on schedule for GFA to deliver the initial certified groundwater and soil test results during January 2018.

January 2018 – Public Meeting

The January date, time, and location of the public meeting will be announced soon, and the media and public will be notified as soon as that date is available. Public communication will include direct mail, flyers, announcements at community meetings, and social media channels.

More About the Assessment

The South Street environmental site assessment is a collaborative effort between the City and the FDEP.

For more information about the environmental site assessment and to view the site assessment plan, visit the City's website at www.CityFtMyers.com and scroll down to the South Street Environmental Assessment link or contact the City of Fort Myers at 239-321-7630.

The City has been communicating with FDEP and the media as certified information is provided from the experts.

When certified information becomes available, the City will provide additional communication materials to ensure that our citizens are receiving accurate information, with an explanation of what that information means to them and to their families. The City is committed to gathering all the facts from the experts, reviewing the analysis and recommendations from the experts, and then presenting an action plan to act on those recommendations.

The South Street website www.3348SouthStreet.com , launched by the City on July 24, 2017, is linked to the City website: www.cityftmyers.com. The site contains project documents, maps, and press releases.

The City is committed to this process and with the help of the experts, will determine if or what action is necessary. The City is relying on the experts to do the testing, and to allow the experts adequate time to analyze and finalize results.